

**REMARKS**

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 4, 2006, the Applicants' representative filed a Reply and Amendment on December 19, 2006. It is respectfully submitted that a *bona fide* attempt to reply to the Office Action mailed on October 4, 2006 was made by the Applicants and/or the Applicants' representative. A Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment under 37 CFR §1.121 was mailed on March 13, 2007. The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment indicated that the Reply and Amendment did not include a proper status identifier for each of the claims

Accordingly, this submission includes Appendix A, which includes a new "Amendments to the claims" section. The new "Amendments to the claims" section includes a complete listing of the claims along with a proper status identifier for each of the claims.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned to discuss any matter concerning this application.


The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 CFR. §§1.16, 1.17, and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1283.

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